



The City of West University Place

A Neighborhood City

CITY COUNCIL

Susan Sample, Mayor
Wayne J. Franklin, Mayor Pro Tem
Bob Higley, Councilmember
Kellye Burke, Councilmember
Mardi Turner, Councilmember

STAFF

M. Chris Peifer, City Manager
Alan Petrov, City Attorney
Thelma Gilliam, City Secretary

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CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES

The City Council of the City of West University Place, Texas, met in special regular session on **Monday, April 9, 2018**, in the Municipal Building, 3800 University, West University Place, Texas beginning at approximately **6:15 p.m.**

SPECIAL MEETING (6:15 p.m.)

Special Meeting Agenda was as follows:

Called Meeting to Order

Mayor Sample called the special meeting to order at approximately 6:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Council and Staff in attendance were: Mayor Pro Tem Franklin, Councilmembers, Higley, and Turner, City Manager Peifer, City Attorney Petrov, City Secretary Gilliam, Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director Beach, Finance Director Kalka, and Human Resources Director Urban. Councilmember Burke was absent.

1. Virtual Gate Project

Matters related to the City's virtual gate project (camera system). *Recommended Action: Discuss and take any desired action.* **Mr. Ken Walker, Police Chief and Mr. Gary McFarland, IT Director**

Recess Special Meeting and Convene Executive Session in Council Conference Room

At 6:16 p.m., Councilmember Higley moved to recess the special meeting and convene into Executive Session in accordance with Section 551.076 (Deliberation regarding security devices) of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. Mayor Pro Tem Franklin seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

Ayes: Sample, Franklin, Higley, Turner
Noes: None
Absent: Burke

2. Close Executive Session and Reconvene Special Meeting in Council Chambers

Take any desired action.

At 6:33 p.m. Councilmember Higley moved to close the Execution Session and reconvene the Special Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Franklin seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

Ayes: Sample, Franklin, Higley, Turner
Noes: None
Absent: Burke

3. Adjourn Special Meeting

At approximately 6:33 p.m., Councilmember Higley moved to adjourn the special meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Franklin seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

Ayes: Sample, Franklin, Higley, Turner
Noes: None
Absent: Burke

REGULAR MEETING (6:30 p.m.)

Mayor Sample called the Regular Meeting to order at approximately 6:34 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Pro Tem Franklin led the Pledge.

Notice of Meeting: City Secretary Gilliam confirmed that the notice of the meeting was duly posted in accordance with the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

Regular Meeting Agenda items were as follows:

4. Mayor's Statement

Matters related regarding the powers of the Mayor and City Council. *Recommended Action: Discuss and take any desired action.* **Susan Sample, Mayor**

Mayor Sample made a statement regarding the role of City Council as it relates to the handling of matters involving Councilmember Kellye Burke.

5. Public Comments

This was an opportunity for citizens to speak to Council relating to agenda and non-agenda items.

The following spoke during Public Comments:

- Ranae Scheibner, 3702 Arnold, spoke in support of Councilmember Kellye Burke.
- Anne Furse, 6430 Wakeforest, spoke in support of Councilmember Kellye Burke.
- Chris Downey, attorney for Councilmember Kellye Burke, read a statement from Councilmember Burke.
- Therese Tusa, 1311 Antonine #268, Houston, Texas, spoke against Councilmember Kellye Burke and request that she resign from Council.
- Courtney Bucy, 4022 Ruskin, spoke against Councilmember Kellye Burke and suggested that she step down from Council.
- Alida Drewes, 6112 Fordham, commented on various issues, including her opposition against Councilmember Burke.

6. Discussion with Zoning and Planning Commission

Matters related to providing direction to the Zoning and Planning Commission on townhomes and fence-like hedges. *Recommended Action: Discuss and take any desired action.* **Mayor Susan Sample**

Council provided staff with direction for the Zoning and Planning Commission. No further action taken.

7. Charter Review Committee

Matters related to discussing the Charter Review Committee and possibly appointing members.
Recommended Action: Discuss and take any desired action. Mr. M. Chris Peifer, City Manager

No action taken. To be discussed further at the next City Council meeting.

8. Consent Agenda

All Consent Agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member requests in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

A. City Council Minutes

Approve City Council Minutes of March 26, 2018. *Recommended Action: Approve Minutes. Ms. Thelma Gilliam, City Secretary*

Councilmember Turner removed the Minutes for discussion. She stated that the word "Award" was stated twice on Agenda Item 5 and should be deleted.

Councilmember Higley moved to approve the Minutes as amended by Councilmember Turner. Mayor Pro Tem Franklin seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

Ayes: Sample, Franklin, Higley, Turner
Noes: None
Absent: Burke

9. Adjourn

With no other matters before Council, Councilmember Higley moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:15 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Franklin seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

Ayes: Sample, Franklin, Higley, Turner
Noes: None
Absent: Burke

Prepared by: Thelma A. Gilliam, TRMC, City Secretary

Council Approval Date